

Cavalier County Water Resource Board

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July 25, 2024

Cavalier County Water Resource Board held a regular meeting on July 25, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Room in the Cavalier County Courthouse. Chairman Bob Blake called the meeting to order with Brian Hardy, and Bruce Roder, Van Howatt, Charles Damschen (zoom), and Secretary Kensi Breyer.

Guests: Taylor Benneweis, Quentin Wenzel-Attorney, Greg Goodman, Stanley Dick, Nick Moser, Austin Lafrenz, Lisa Gellner, Shauna Schneider, Ross Feil and Tara Roberts.

Bob Blake called the meeting to order for both the Cavalier County Regular Meeting and the joint meeting with Ramsey County regarding Ramsey Co. Drain #10.

Van Howatt made a motion to approve the July 11, 2024, agenda with the addition the county commissioners second was made by Bruce Roder, motion carried.

Brian Hardy made a motion to approve the July 11, 2024, regular meeting minutes, a second was made by Van Howatt, motion was carried.

New Business:

After the joint meeting with Ramsey County concluded, Bob moved forward with the regular meeting agenda items.

Taylor Benneweis joined the meeting to give an update on the Rec Area. Van Howatt will be meeting with Kendall Gemmill out at the rec area to mark trees that need to be taken down. Taylor stated that over the weekend of music fest there was an incident with one camping but also involved another lot and campers. The Cavalier County Sheriffs department was dispatched out to the Rec Area to handle the incident. Bruce Roder made a motion to have Quentin Wenzel draft an eviction notice for Nathan Blair from Mt. Carmel Dam and his lot, a second was made by Van Howatt, motion carried. They will get a notice of 3 days and then the eviction notice. Tara Roberts joined the table to talk about the information going around that she is using her camper as an Air B&B. Tara stated that she is not renting it out but is allowing her friends and family to use it. The rules of the rec area state that all subleasing is water board approved only. Family and friends are allowed to use it but no charging.

Rec Area Permits

1251 Dan Horgan

1252 Ethen Askvig

Brain Hardy made a motion to approve the Rec Area Permits, a second was made by Van Howatt, motion carried.

Ross Feil joined the meet the meeting with a request because by the UTMA building on Hwy 1 going North and South, they get so much water. He has talked to the State DOT and he was

informed to get a Hwy Right of Way application and get water board approval for any work that needs to be done to get the water moving. Van Howatt motion to sign the Hwy Right of Way application, a second was made by Brian Hardy, motion carried.

Greg Goodman, Stanley Dick, Austin Lafrenz and Nick Moser joined the meeting to discuss the budget request. Stanley stated that with the request for 2025, we are at approximately 3.8 mil. There was a vast discussion on different budget items.

Van Howatt gave an update on the Canadian complaint we were dealing with, the Canadian departments pulled the permit for Thiessen back and have asked to have the culvert and obstruction removed.

Brian Hardy stated that the blockage that was noted on the July 11th minutes that was thought to be in Walhalla 2, was not on the legal drain.

Kensi Breyer presented the Pledge of Securities from FM Bank. Brian Hardy motioned to approve the pledge of securities from FM Bank, a second was made by Van Howatt, motion carried.

Brian Hardy submitted a culvert request for South Olga Township to place a second culvert because the current culvert is too small for water coming out of the Bourbanis Dam. Bruce Roder made a motion to approve the culvert request for South Olga Township, a second was made by Van Howatt, motion carried.

Kensi stated that the board needed to make a decision on assessments for Easby 2 and Osnabrock 1 drains. Bruce Roder made a motion to assess \$1.00 for 1 year to both Easby 2 and Osnabrock 1, a second was made by Charles Damschen, motion carried.

The following vouchers were reviewed for approval:

6142	Gowan Construction	\$ 11,635.20
6034	Advanced Business Methods	\$ 57.18
6231	Quentin Bruce Wenzel	\$ 2,000.00
6184	Eli Johnson	\$ 658.12
6121	Jada Moen	\$ 637.12
6236	John Deere Financial	\$ 218.61
6176	Stacy Peters	\$ 527.40
5979	Information Technology Department	\$ 16.20
6140	Strata Corporation	\$ 1,087.50
6047	Taylor Benneweis	\$ 2,634.90
6219	Langdon Hardware	\$ 58.17
6225	Benjamin Perius	\$ 655.61

A motion was made by Charles Damschen, second by Brian Hardy to approve the vouchers as presented.

Meeting adjourned.



Chairman


